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S. 3103

To amend the Iran, North Korea, and Syria Nonproliferation Act to allow certain extraordinary payments in connection with the International Space Station.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BIDEN (for himself and Mr. LUGAR) (by request) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “International Space
5 Station Payments Act of 2008”.

1 **SEC. 2. AUTHORITY TO MAKE CERTAIN EXTRAORDINARY**
2 **PAYMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE**
3 **INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION.**

4 Section 7(1)(B) of the Iran, North Korea, and Syria
5 Nonproliferation Act (Public Law 106–178; 50 U.S.C.
6 1701 note) is amended—

7 (1) by striking “except that such term does not
8 mean payments” and inserting the following: “except
9 that such term does not mean—

10 “(i) payments”;

11 (2) by striking “or contract related thereto.”
12 and inserting “or contract related thereto; or”; and

13 (3) by adding at the end the following new
14 clause:

15 “(ii) payments in cash or in kind
16 made or to be made by the United States
17 Government between January 1, 2012, and
18 reentry into Earth’s atmosphere of the
19 International Space Station at its end of
20 life, for work to be performed or services
21 to be rendered during that period nec-
22 essary to meet United States obligations
23 under the Agreement Concerning Coopera-
24 tion on the Civil International Space Sta-
25 tion, with annex, signed at Washington
26 January 29, 1998, and entered into force

1 March 27, 2001, or any protocol, agree-
2 ment, memorandum of understanding, or
3 contract related thereto, except that this
4 clause does not allow for payments in cash
5 or in kind to be made by the United States
6 Government for—

7 “(I) any cargo services provided
8 by a Progress vehicle; or

9 “(II) any crew transportation or
10 rescue services provided by a Soyuz
11 vehicle after—

12 “(aa) the Orion Crew Explo-
13 ration Vehicle reaches full oper-
14 ational capability; or

15 “(bb) a United States com-
16 mercial provider of crew trans-
17 portation and rescue services
18 demonstrates the capability to
19 meet mission requirements of the
20 International Space Station.”.

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